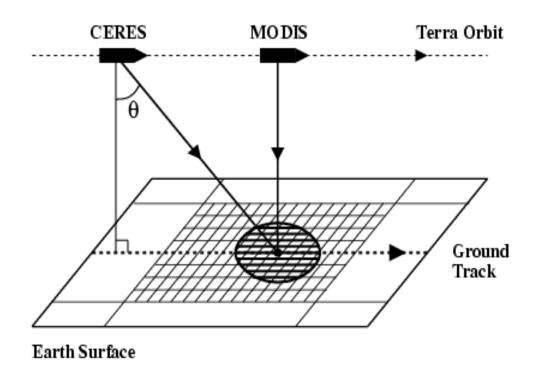
CERES/Terra Instantaneous TOA Flux Consistency

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CERES and MODIS Geometry for Along-Track Data



Analysis Steps

- Making a list of uniform scene regions using 79 days of CERES/Terra along-track data.
- Making narrow-to-broadband fits using corresponding cross-track data (FOVs are matched within 3 minutes).
- Processing along-track data twice:
 - 1. Converting MODIS narrowband into broadband radiance and into near-nadir flux;
 - 2. Adding random Gaussian noise to CERES radiance (sigma = narrow-to-broadband STD fit).
- Final error analysis (FOV Level, CERES MODIS VZA difference: from 50° to 60°).

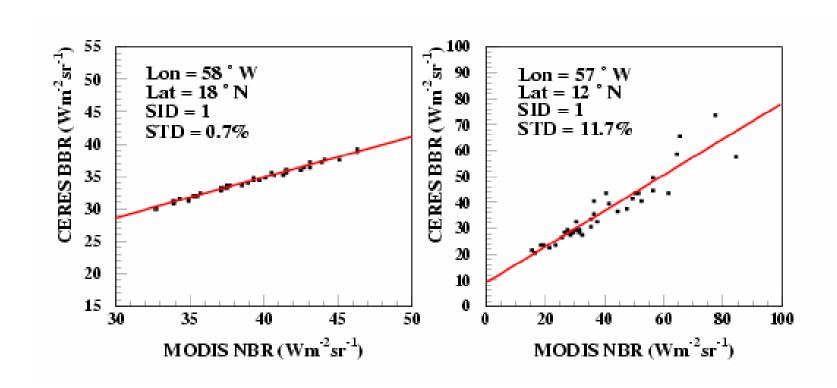
SSF Cloud Classification

(Each Cloud Layer)

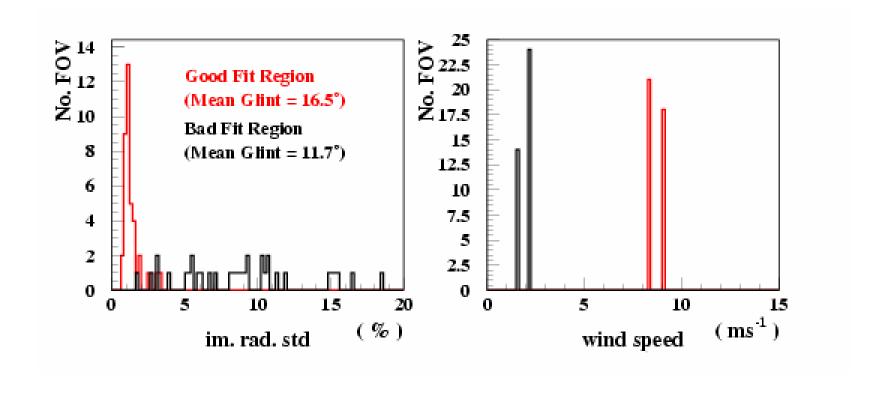
		PCL			MCL		OVC			
High	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
Mid	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Low	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	

PCL: $CF = 0.1 - 40\%$	High: EP < 440 mb	Thin: $\tau < 3.35$
MCL: $CF = 40 - 99\%$	Mid: $EP = 440 - 680 \text{ mb}$	Mod: $\tau = 3.35 - 22.63$
OVC: $CF = 99 - 100\%$	Low: EP > 680 mb	Thick: t > 22.63

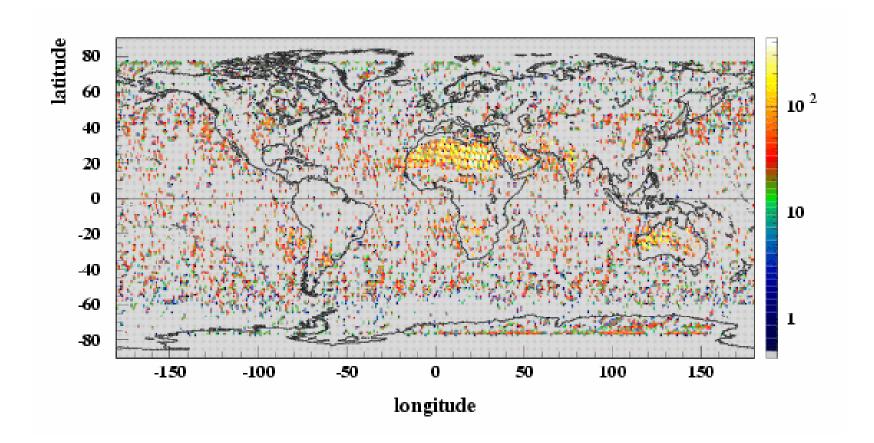
SW Narrow-to-Broadband Fit Uniform SID = Clear-Sky Ocean



Scene Difference Clear-Sky Ocean



Along-Track Data Used: 79 Days, No. FOV = 371,872



TOA Flux Errors due ADMs

TOA Flux Consistency = rms [F(θ) - F(θ _o)]

Two Passes Through Data

- 1. $rms_1(tot)^2 = rms(adm)^2 + rms(n2b)^2$
- 2. $rms_2(tot)^2 = rms(adm)^2 + 2 rms(n2b)^2$

Ocean Scene Type SW TOA Flux RMS (%)

All-sky ADM RMS = 5.35% (Tot RMS = 5.75%)

CLR			PCL			MCL			OVC	
	High							10.31	6.38	3.59
12.12	Mid		10.76			10.15			5.61	3.96
	Low	9.53	17.85		7.68	5.68			3.28	3.97
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

No-Glint All-sky ADM RMS = 3.95% (Tot RMS = 4.46%)

CLR			PCL			MCL		OVC		
	High								4.59	2.83
4.53	Mid								4.69	5.17
	Low	5.70	9.27		3.98	5.22			3.13	2.97
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

Land & Snow/Sea-Ice SW TOA Flux RMS (%)

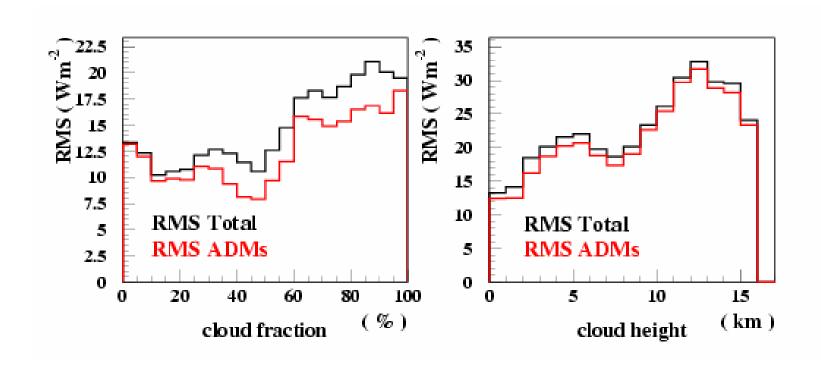
Land: All-sky ADM RMS = 4.16% (Tot RMS = 4.41%)

CLR			PCL			MCL			OVC	
	High								7.70	4.23
3.65	Mid					6.60				3.35
	Low	9.78	7.99			5.77			2.92	4.61
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

Snow/Sea-Ice: All-sky ADM RMS = 7.85% (Tot RMS = 7.97%)

CLR			PCL			MCL	MCL			OVC			
	High							8.75	9.23				
6.28	Mid	5.77			7.76				7.63	3.59			
	Low	11.74	25.94		9.75	12.49			5.56	5.92			
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick			

SW TOA Flux Consistency versus Cloud Properties (ocean)



Ocean & Desert LW TOA Flux RMS (%)

Ocean: All-sky ADM RMS = 2.68% (Tot RMS = 2.83%)

CLR			PCL			MCL		OVC		
	High							11.38	8.06	6.75
0.95	Mid					6.58			4.23	4.10
	Low	1.11	1.34		1.47	2.67			2.06	2.26
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

Desert: All-sky ADM RMS = 2.00% (Tot RMS = 2.08%)

CLR			PCL			MCL		OVC		
	High									3.34
1.96	Mid									
	Low	3.59				1.79				
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

Land & Snow/Sea Ice LW TOA Flux RMS (%)

Land: All-sky ADM RMS = 2.39% (Tot RMS = 2.46%)

CLR			PCL			MCL			OVC	
	High								10.35	7.88
2.03	Mid					5.29				2.06
	Low	2.20	2.83			2.09			3.72	2.35
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

Snow/Sea Ice: All-sky ADM RMS = 2.56% (Tot RMS = 2.64%)

CLR			PCL			MCL		OVC		
	High							5.18	2.82	
2.51	Mid	1.98	4.36		2.30	5.44		3.22	3.99	
	Low	2.42	2.07		2.32	2.79			2.16	2.65
		Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick	Thin	Mod	Thick

Summary

- Combining CERES along-track and cross-track data, narrow-to-broadband conversion and artificial noise technique we are able to estimate instantaneous TOA flux errors due to ADMs.
- Narrow-to-broadband fit errors contribution is on a level of 0.4-0.5% for all-sky SW and 0.1-0.2% for all-sky LW TOA flux.